For children with an orthopedic condition, nothing is more important than seeking care from a pediatric specialist. Unlike adults, kids and teens have growth plates that haven’t fully set. Experts in the Spine Center at Children’s Hospital Los Angeles know exactly how to treat spine issues in a young person’s growing body to improve their quality of life.

From common conditions to complex cases, our specialists cover the full spectrum of disorders affecting the spine, including back pain, kyphosis, scoliosis, cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy, spina bifida, spine fractures and misalignment (spondylosis and spondylolisthesis), spine tumors and more. Care is provided in the Jackie and Gene Autry Orthopedic Center at CHLA, which is consistently ranked as one of the country’s top 10 pediatric orthopedic programs by U.S. News & World Report.

WHY CHOOSE US?

Deep expertise in spine surgeries: Approximately 300 pediatric spine treatments are performed by the Spine Center every year, and patients recover faster and have extremely low rates of complications compared to the national average.

Exceptional treatment results: We specialize in the latest nonsurgical and surgical scoliosis and spine disorders treatments.

Specialized spine team: Patients receive comprehensive care from a team of experts in orthopedic spine surgery, neurosurgery, spine anesthesiology and pain management to achieve the best results. Nurses with advanced training in pediatric spine problems provide compassionate care.

Safer imaging: To minimize exposure to potentially harmful radiation, we use EOS, a 3D X-ray imaging system that uses up to 95% less radiation than standard X-rays.

Expert pain management: We offer complementary therapies such as acupuncture and biofeedback. We use nonaddictive pain medications as much as possible.

Care closer to home: We do our best to minimize travel time to Los Angeles. We offer video consultations for families who live outside of the metro Los Angeles area or in other parts of the world. We also have specialty care centers throughout the county for treatment follow-ups.